Serial No. 10/815,128 HU 19

## IN THE CLAIMS

5

10

5

Please amend the claims as indicated:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of communication in a wireless system comprising:

determining at a transmitter a probability of a stalling condition occurring at a receiver for at least one data packet in a sequence of data packets, the stalling condition probability being determined in relation to a state of at least one system parameter for the wireless system, the system parameter state being determinable at the transmitter; and

transmitting a flush command to the receiver based on the determined probability of the stalling condition, the flush command being operative to terminate the stalling condition.

- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one wireless system parameter comprises a size of the sequence of data packets, a number of repeat request processes, at least one priority for each of the number of repeat request processes, a probability of error over an uplink and a probability of error over a downlink.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, comprising: estimating a wait time, prior to the transmitting of a flush command, as a function of the determined probability of the stalling condition.

Serial No. 10/815,128 HU 19

5. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein the step of estimating a wait time comprises:

determining an average number of time slots for at least a first data packet prior to transmission.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of determining an average number of waiting time slots comprises:

queuing at least the first data packet for transmission; and
determining if a second data packet having a lower sequential designation than
the first data packet has stalled.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the step of transmitting a flush command comprises:

transmitting the first data packet in response to determining the second data packet has stalled.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the step of transmitting the first data packet comprises:

determining if the second data packet is designated for a particular memory location.

- 9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the particular memory location is at one end of a finite buffer.
  - 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, comprising:

transmitting a recommended range for a service time-out condition in response to the determined probability of a stalling condition.

Serial No. 10/815,128 HU 19

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the service time-out condition corresponds with at least one of a high-speed downlink packet access service and a high-speed uplink packet access service.

- 12. (Cancelled) A method of communication comprising:

  receiving a recommended range for a service time-out condition;

  transmitting a service time-out range in response to the received recommended range;
- wherein the recommended range for a service time out condition is generated as a function of a probability of a stalling condition for a packet in a sequence of data packets, the probability of a stalling condition determined in relation to a state of at least one system parameter for the wireless system.
  - 13. (Cancelled).
  - 14. (Cancelled)
  - 15. (Cancelled) The method of claim 12, wherein the at least one wireless system parameter comprises a size of the sequence of data packets, a number of repeat request processes, at least one priority for each of the number of repeat request processes, a probability of error over an uplink and a probability of error over a downlink.